



AUBURN AD-HOC RECYCLING COMMITTEE

City Council Update | 12.2.19

COUNCIL CHARGE

- Identify the key impacts of the current recycling program;
- Compare the current model with models we could adopt;
- Identify current costs and how are other municipalities adapting to the changing market; and
- Create a public education and awareness campaign for the recommended changes

PROGRESS MADE

- 4 Committee meetings with research and presentations
- Presentation on current program details & costs
- Tours of Maine Waste to Energy and Casella
- Solid Waste Forum at AVCOG

NEXT STEPS

- Continue review of other municipal recycling programs
- Meeting with EcoMaine
- Review current legislation (LD1431) on waste reduction
- Build education/awareness campaign, including school program
- Research what are the “Gold Star Recycling” program materials—sustainable in the market
- Prepare report for city council with recommendations
- Other potential topics to address food waste and cost benefit plan

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

1. This group is enthusiastically committed to accomplishing the mission set forth for them. **Recommend extension of the committee until May 2020.**
2. City Council show support for “Recycling Reform for Maine” by **adopting the proposed resolve.**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Silver Moore-Leamon | Camille Parrish | Sharon Benoit | Ralph Harder |
Rebecca Lloyd | Dennis Connelly Sr. | Councilor Holly Lasagna